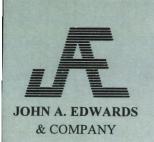
Administrative Alternates



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Administrative Alternate Request: Requested in accordance with UDO Section 10.2.17	OFFICE USE ONLY
Section(s) of UDO affected:	Transaction Number
3.4.2.C.3.a.iii.	
Provide an explanation of the alternate requested, along with an applicant's statement of the findings Applicant requests relief from strict interpretation of the requirement due to existing conditions. See attached for detail	
Provide all associated case plan numbers including zoning and site plan: SR-19-18	
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Property Address 601 St. Mary's St	* ,	Date 10/29/18
Property PIN 1704313897	Current Zoning OX-3-GR NCOD - Cameron Park	Transition
Nearest Intersection Johnson Street		Property size (in acres) 0.79 acres
Property Owner	Phone	Mail 601 St. Mary's St
601 St. Mary's, LLC	Email	
Project Contact Person	Phone	Mail
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Property Owner Signature Rolent H. Markin II	Email	
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333 Wade Avenue Raleigh, NC 27605 (919) 828-4428 (919) 828-4711 fax info@jaeco.com www.jaeco.com October 30, 2018 RE: SR-19-18 601 St. Mary's St. Administrative Alternate Request

Dear City of Raleigh Appearance Commission Staff,

Please see our application, Build-to Exhibit, and this letter regarding our findings as consideration is given for an Administrative Alternate in reference to UDO Section 3.4.2.C.3.a.iii.

PROJECT SUMMARY AND DETAILS OF REQUEST

The applicant has submitted an administrative site plan for a building expansion project which will involve the demolition of approximately 2,900 sf of existing building and then an addition of approximately 7,000 sf which will bring the total building area to approximately 12,800 sf. The property is zoned OX-3 GR and located within the Cameron Park Transition NCOD. The GR frontage requirement requires that the building be located between 20 and 50 feet from the primary street frontage. However, UDO 3.4.2.C.3.a.iii. states: "Non-street Side Additions are allowed where the side addition is at least as close to the build-to as the existing building because the extension increases the width of the building and does not set back any further than the existing building."

The existing building is articulated and does not have a dominant wall plane that is parallel with the primary street frontage. The average front wall plane of the existing building is 112.8' setback from the existing right-of-way frontage with the closest point of the building being 88.8' from the right-of-way. The building after the proposed expansion will have and average front wall plane of 108.3' from the right-of-way with the same closest point of the building at 88.8' from the right-of-way.

The UDO section is not specific as to "average" or "closest point" and therefore the most restrictive interpretation would mean that the expansion may be no further than 88.8' from the right-of-way. Placement of the proposed expansion no further than 88.8' from the right-of-way would create difficult access between the building and existing parking and loss of outdoor amenity space due to grade differences.

It is important to note the following facts about the proposed addition:

- 1. The plan will not be significantly changing the current footprint of the existing parking lot which is currently located in the required build-to area.
- The proposed expansion is located closer to the right-of-way than the portion of the building being demolished which is why the new calculated average wall plane is closer to the right-ofway.
- 3. The proposed expansion is aligned with the dominant wall façade of the existing building to lengthen the existing street edge.

ADMINISTRATIVE ALTERNATE FINDINGS

In accordance with 3.4.2.C.4., the Planning Director may reduce the build-to requirement subject to the findings set forth in 1.5.6.D.

1. The approved alternate meets the intent of the build -to regulations;

Response: The proposed alternate shows that the dominant façade of the addition is aligned with the dominant façade of the existing building therefore meeting the intent of the regulation to strengthen the street edge along the right-of-way and establish a sense of enclosure.

2. The approved alternate conforms with the Comprehensive Plan and adopted City plans;
Response: The site is designated as Office and Residential Mixed Use on the City's Comprehensive Plan which is consistent with the proposed use. Further, the Cameron Park Transition NCOD sets an additional height restriction which is met by the proposed plan.

3. The approved alternate does not substantially negatively alter the character defining street wall or establish a build - to pattern that is not harmonious with the existing built context;

Response: The addition is aligned with the existing dominant wall façade and therefore does not alter the existing character defining street wall. The addition extends the street wall to establish a sense of enclosure along the street edge.

4. The change in percentage of building that occupies the build -to area or increased setback does not negatively impact pedestrian access, comfort or safety; and

Response: The proposed alternate design calls for an outdoor amenity area located between the building and existing parking area to facilitate desirable pedestrian circulation between the building and parking despite significant grade change.

<u>5. Site area that would have otherwise been occupied by buildings is converted to an outdoor amenity area under Sec. 1.5.3.B.</u>

Response: The existing parking occupies all of the build-to area, however, the plan adds outdoor amenity area to all the space between the building addition and existing parking area.

CONCLUSION

The applicant is requesting relief from the most restrictive interpretation that the addition may be no further from the build to than the closest point of the existing building. As demonstrated, the proposed addition would have an average wall plane is closer to the building to than the existing average wall plane to meet the intent of the UDO.

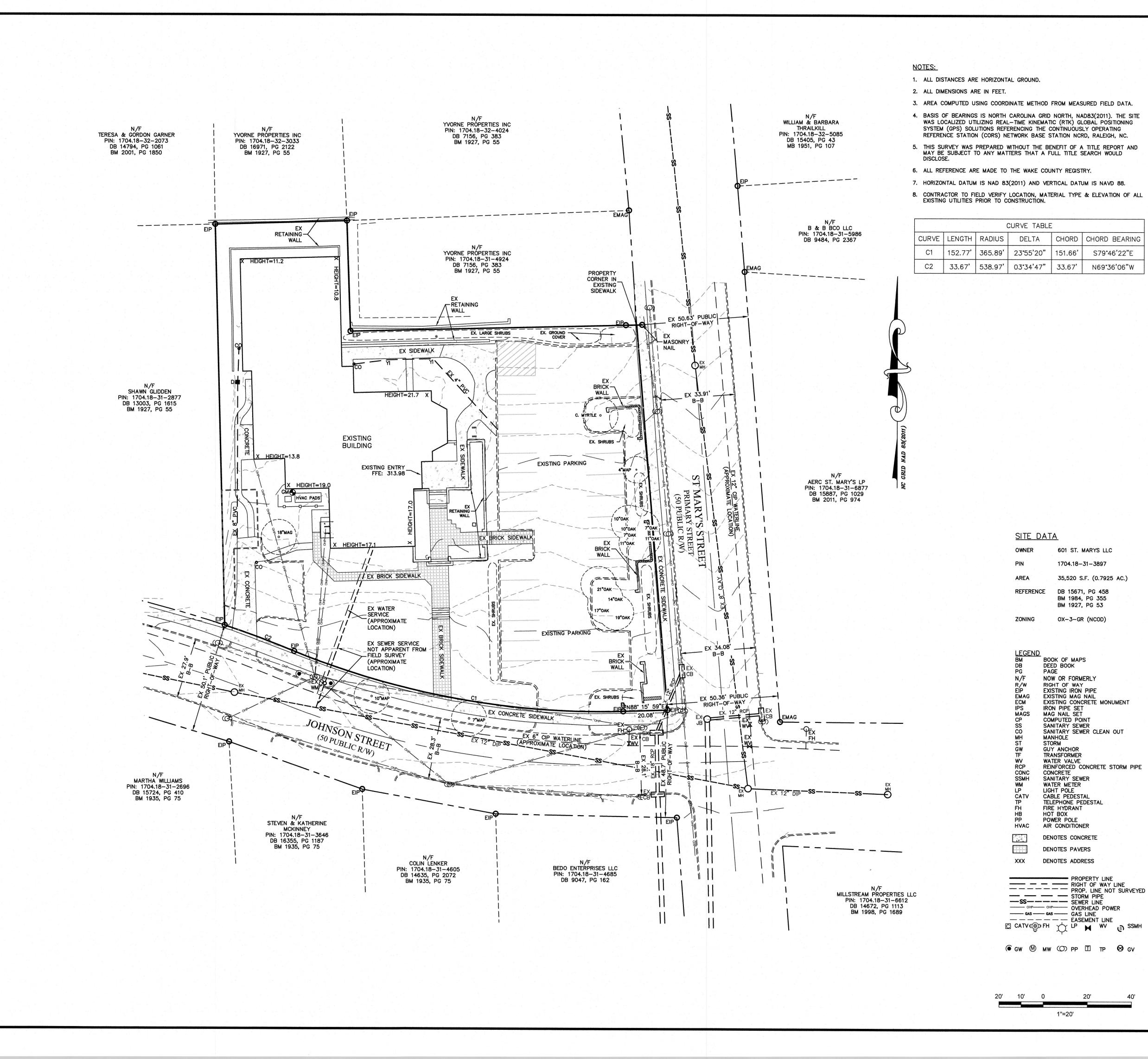
Thank you for your consideration of this request. Please contact me if you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

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NEW CITY DESIGN GROUP 1304 HILLSBOROUGH STREET RALEIGH, NC 27605

ALL CONSTRUCTION SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH CITY OF RALEIGH STANDARDS AND SPECIFICATIONS.

SOLID WASTE INSPECTIONS STATEMENT
DEVELOPER TO CONTRACT WITH PRIVATE
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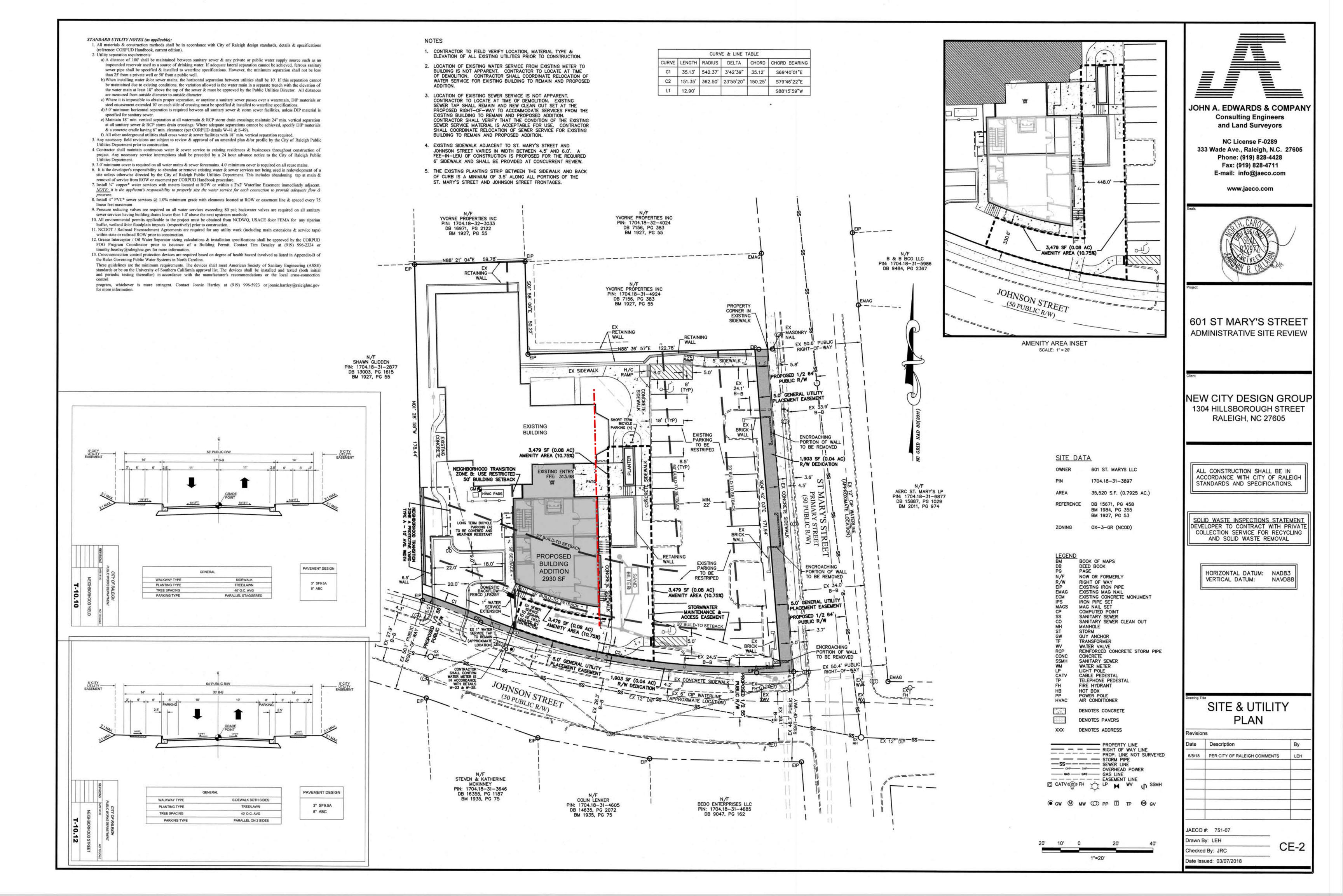
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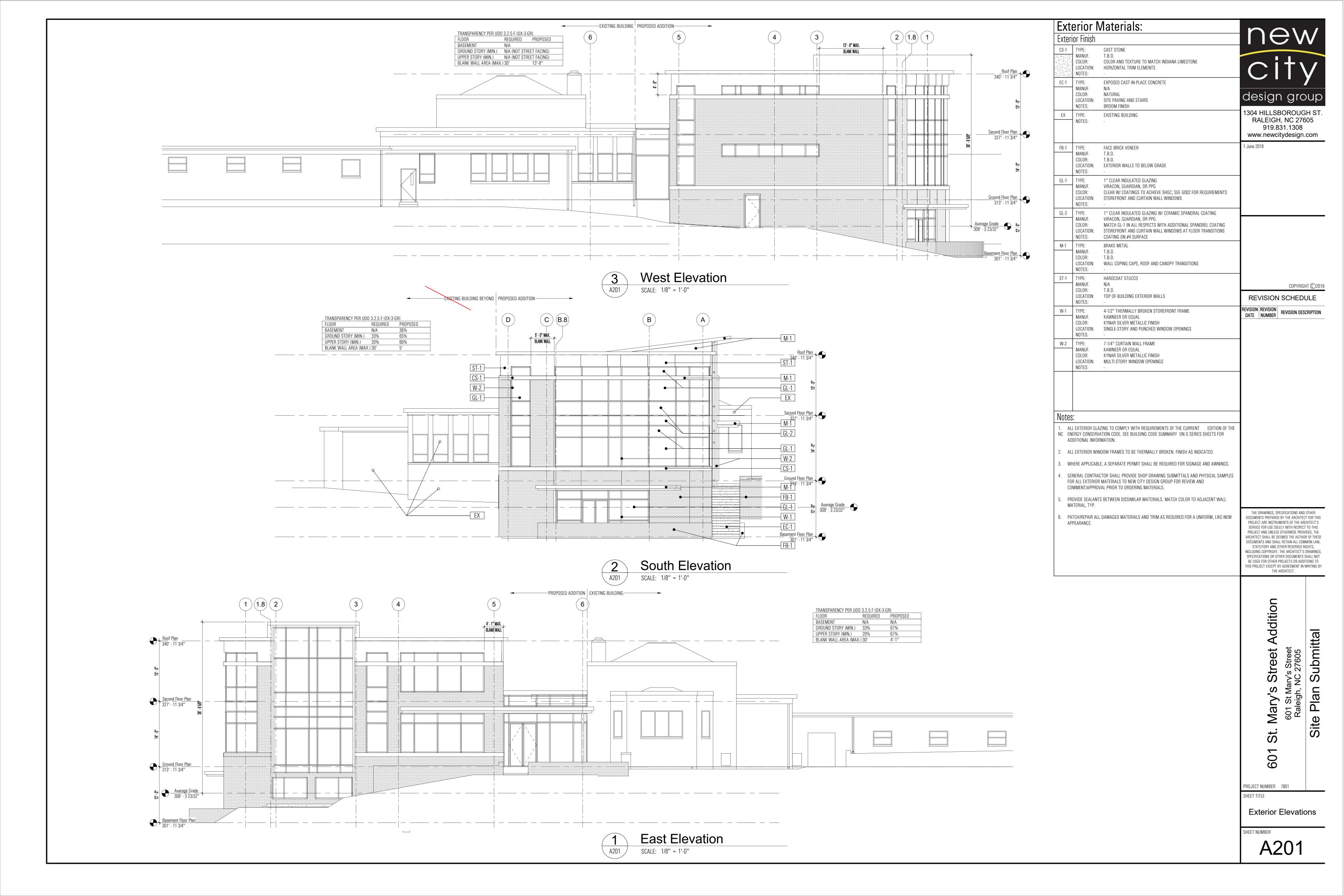
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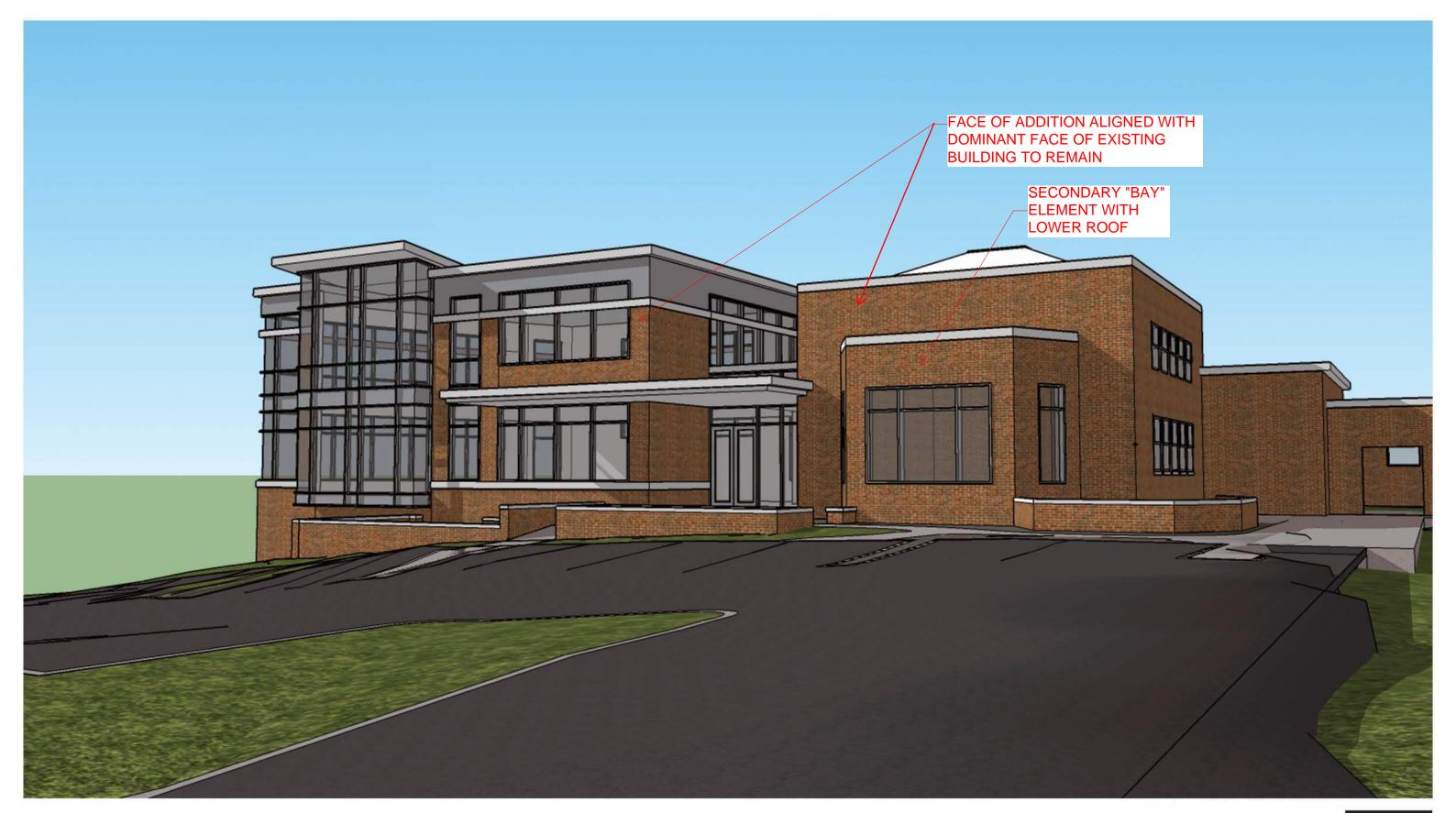
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